Sermon Notes

"A Redeemed Meal" 2 Kings 4:38-41

1. Trust the Lord with Our Ruined Meals (vv. 38-40)

2. Trust the Lord to Redeem Our Meals (v. 41)

3. Trust the Lord to Care for Our Meals (vv. 38-41)

Prayer Opportunities

ONGOING PRAYER: Priscilla Ribeiro-Cummings, Michael Herbert, Joan Pennock, Ellen Torrance, and Tami Urbani.

RECUPERATING: Calvin Dameron and Jeffrey Westbrook

IN APPRECIATION: Dearest Rivermont family, it is with a grateful heart that I say 'thank you' for your many prayers, cards, flowers, and phone calls during my weeks of struggle with shingles and complication of double vision. Through His Grace and the power of prayer, I am healing with minimal pain, my eye was saved and this week, my vision began to resolve for clear vision at greater distances. To Him be the Glory! We have been so blessed by your care and concern. We are so grateful for our praying church and the love that we have through the unity of prayer. - Beth Helm Ephesians 3:20

PRAYING FOR OUR MISSIONARIES: NEW RIVER PRESBYTERY (EPC)

Our current Presbytery, the Presbytery of the Mid-Atlantic (PMA) is in the final stages of multiplying into 3 smaller Presbyteries so that we might become more effective in disciple-making and church-planting as well as better connected relationally for encouragement and accountability. Beginning July 1, the PMA will cease to exist and Rivermont will join the New River Presbytery (named for the New River which touches each of the states in our new Presbytery). Please pray for the May meeting as the final organizational work is complete to launch the New River Presbytery. Pray that we may gather safely to fellowship, pray, worship, learn and break bread together.

Prayer & Care

If you have a need or prayer request, please share that need through the Rivermont website at <u>rivermont.org/prayer</u>. You may also email: janet@rivermont.org. All requests are confidential.

Welcome to Rivermont!

Whether you are new to Lynchburg or new to our church, we are so grateful **T** to the Lord that He has brought you to us this morning. We would love to connect with you more personally and we invite you to fill out a Digital Connect Card by scanning the QR code into your mobile device. You can also fill out a Connect Card from the pew rack and place it in the offering plate.



Next Steps to Connect:

We invite you to take some additional steps to get more connected to this church body.

- Attend live or Zoom Sunday School classes at 9:45 am (rivermont.org/sundayschool).
- Attend men's, women's, or youth Bible studies and events throughout the year.
- Attend the next Getting to Know Rivermont class. Learn more at rivermont.org/gtkr.

The Giving of Tithes and Offerings

Ways to give:

- 1. By placing your offering in the offering plates located in the Narthex.
- 2. By texting an amount to 434-595-3833; follow the prompts.
- Online at <u>www.rivermont.org/give</u>.
- By mailing a check to REPC, 2424 Rivermont Avenue, Lynchburg, VA 24503.

Coming Up This Week

For more information, please visit rivermont.org/events

Sunday, May 8

8:00 am Prayer for the Services (Family Room)

8:30 am Worship Service

9:45 am Sunday School

9:45 am 20 Somethings+ Life Group

9:45 am College Hour (CO House)

11:00 am Worship Service

4:00 pm Prayer Meeting (Chapel)

7:00 pm 7th-12th Grade SNL (Peaksview Park)

Monday, May 9

9:00 am Preschool

10:00 am Prayer Group (Room 206)

Tuesday, May 10

6:26 am HS Boys 626

(Biscuitville, Old Forest Rd.) 6:30 am Dawn Patrol Men's Bible Study

(Fellowship Hall & via Zoom)

9:00 am Preschool

Wednesday, May 11

9:00 am Preschool

6:30 pm Sanctuary Choir

Thursday, May 12

6:30 pm Pig Pickin' (Back Parking Lot)

Friday, May 13

7:30 pm 20 Somethings+ Movie Night

(Back Parking Lot)

Saturday, May 14

10:00 am VBS at Art in the Park (Riverside Park) 12:00 pm No Walls Second Saturday Picnic (Gospel Community - College Hill)

Sunday, May 15

8:00 am Prayer for the Services (Family Room)

8:30 am Worship Service

9:45 am Sunday School

9:45 am 20 Somethings+ Life Group

9:45 am College Hour (CO House)

11:00 am Worship Service

12:30 pm Missionary Luncheon with Ashlyn & Chris (Fellowship Hall)

4:00 pm Prayer Meeting (Chapel)

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OUR PASSION: the renewing of lives through God's compelling love

in Lynchburg and the world.

ORDER of WORSHIP

May 8, 2022 Third Sunday in Eastertide

Preparation for Worship

As you enter the Sanctuary, prepare your heart for worship and please silence your mobile devices.

THE SILENT PRAYER OF PREPARATION:

Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, Who did cause the womb of Sarah to conceive in her old age, to establish a people for Yourself, and did raise up Your Son Jesus Christ our Lord from this very people. We pray for Your lifegiving power to be brought into the desolation of our souls. We pray where there is death there will be life, where there is lack there would be abundance, and where there is mourning there would be rejoicing. And that all who are here this morning would be numbered among the children of Abraham, through the adoption given to us in Your Son Who reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God now and forevermore. Amen.

PRELUDE: Miriam Amos, organ

"Prayer"

Leon Boellmann

THE GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Pastor Shane Whelan

*THE CALL TO WORSHIP: Psalm 42:1-2, 5 (responsively)

As a deer pants for flowing streams,

so pants my soul for You, O God.

My soul thirsts for God,

for the living God.

Why are you cast down, O my soul,

and why are you in turmoil within me?

Hope in God;

for I shall again praise Him, my salvation and my God.

*THE HYMN OF PRAISE: #17

"Praise the Lord: Ye Heavens Adore Him"

*THE PRAYER OF ADORATION AND CONFESSION

*THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*THE ACCLAMATION OF PRAISE:

"When I Survey the Wondrous Cross" (vs. 1 & 4)

HAMBURG

FABEN

When I survey the wondrous cross on which the Prince of glory died, My richest gain I count but loss, and pour contempt on all my pride.

Were the whole realm of nature mine, that were a present far too small; Love so amazing, so divine, demands my soul, my life, my all.

*THE FELLOWSHIP OF THE PEACE OF CHRIST

"Welcome one another as Christ has welcomed you, for the glory of God." (Romans 15:7)

(Children pre-K through first grade may be dismissed for Children's Church to room #115.)

THE READING OF HOLY SCRIPTURE: 2 Kings 4:38-41 (page 310)

THE PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

THE SERMON: "A Redeemed Meal" Dr. David Weber

THE PRAYER FOR A RIGHT RESPONSE TO GOD'S WORD

*THE AFFIRMATION OF FAITH: The Apostles' Creed (in unison)

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ His only Son our Lord; Who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

*THE GLORIA: "Gloria Patri" Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,

World without end! A-men, A-men!

THE PASTORAL PRAYER, concluding with THE LORD'S PRAYER (in unison):

Our Father, Who art in heaven: hallowed be Thy name; Thy kingdom come; Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil; for Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

THE OFFERTORY ANTHEM:

(8:30) **New Song**

"Psalm 23" Heather Sorenson

The Lord is my Shepherd, and I shall not want, I shall not want for more.

How could I ask for more?

He leads by still water, and I shall not want.

He is enough for ev'ry need. He is enough for ev'ry broken dream.

I'm satisfied with what He gives. He will provide and faithfully supply.

He leads through the valley, and I shall not want.

He is the night, He is the day. He is the sun, He is the shade. He is the ocean, He's the stream. In ev'ry song, He is my theme. And if we wander off alone, His mercy calls us back to home. I feast at His table, and I shall not want, I shall not want for more. He is the strength to conquer sin. He's faithful when my trust is thin.

Alyssa Babcock – Accompanist

(11:00) Sanctuary Choir William J. Foley

"A Statement of Faith"

(Based on Romans 8:31-39)

What, then, shall we say to this? If God is for us, who is against us? He Who did not spare His own Son, but gave Him up, for us all,

Will He not also give us all things with Him?

Who shall separate us from the love of Christ?

Shall tribulation or distress or persecution,

Or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword?

No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through Him that loved us.

For I am sure that neither death nor life, nor angels, nor principalities,

Nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth,

Nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God

In Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen.

*THE DOXOLOGY:

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OLD HUNDREDTH

Praise God from Whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host;

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*THE OFFERTORY PRAYER (in unison):

Father, in response to Your great gift to us, we offer ourselves to You with thanksgiving and joy. Accept these tokens of our lives; bless and multiply them for the spread of the gospel, the strengthening of Your church, and the increase of Your kingdom, to the glory of Your name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*THE HYMN OF RESPONSE: #441

"Jesus Shall Reign"

DUKE STREET

*THE BENEDICTION

*THE CONGREGATIONAL AND CHORAL AMEN (sung by all): "A-men, A-men, A-men!"

*POSTLUDE: "Prelude and Fugue in G Major"

J. S. Bach

^{*}The congregation standing. Please feel free to be seated if you need to do so. Lyrics and music reproduced under CCLI#64526.